

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

## TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF THE UNITED STATES

We have audited the accompanying statements of financial position of the Export-Import Bank of the United States (Ex-Im Bank) as of September 30, 2003 and 2002, and the related statements of operations, changes in capital and accumulated deficit, and of cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of Ex-Im Bank's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, such financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Ex-Im Bank at September 30, 2003 and 2002, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 19, 2003, on our consideration of Ex-Im Bank's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants. That report is an integral part

of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

*Deloitte & Touche LLP*

Washington, D.C.

December 19, 2003

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING BASED UPON THE AUDIT PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

## TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF THE UNITED STATES

We have audited the financial statements of the Export-Import Bank of the United States (Ex-Im Bank), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2003, and have issued our report thereon dated December 19, 2003. We conducted our audit in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

### Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Ex-Im Bank's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Ex-Im Bank's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the

internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, we noted other matters involving the internal control over financial reporting that we have reported to the management of Ex-Im Bank, in a separate letter dated December 19, 2003.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the audit committee, board of directors, management of Ex-Im Bank, and the U.S. Congress and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

*Deloitte & Touche LLP*

Washington, D.C.  
December 19, 2003